



# St. Teresa's Catholic Primary School Newsletter Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018

*Little Flowers Growing and Giving Glory to God*

## MacMillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to those parents and children who contributed the cakes and biscuits which were sold last Friday morning and after school on Monday for MacMillan Cancer Relief. The total raised for this worthwhile cause is £465.05.

## St. Teresa's Feastday

Recently, the School Council were elected by their peers. This year's School Councillors are Ava and Joshua from Year 2, D'Sharnai and Manpreet from Year 3, Mya and Ikjap from Year 4, Uyen-Thi and Sukhsimran from Year 5 and Hebron, Gerrard, Hassan, Luca, Z'kea and Bilal from Year 6.

Thanks to the School Council, the children were able to wear their own clothes on Monday, which was St. Teresa's feastday. Your donations have raised £155 for School Fund.



## Football results

On Tuesday evening, the school football team played St. Edmund's School, drawing 1 - 1. The team then beat St. Patrick's School 3 - 0. Well done Harry, Jay, Bilal, Gabriel, Malakai, Sarvan, Luca, Dhiren, Diego and Sukhsimran.

## Wednesday Word

On Wednesday, the children in the Junior classes should have received a copy of the Wednesday Word. Please do make time to consider the theme of 'Openness' from this weekend's gospel. We will be reflecting on the Gospel reading in Monday morning's assembly.



## Parents' and Carers' Briefing

Thank you to the parents/carers of Year 2 who attended the final Parents' Briefing on Wednesday. I hope that the briefing was useful and given you an insight into the year ahead as well as getting to see your child's new classroom. Thank you also to the staff involved in this briefing.

## Rosary Group

As October is the month of the Rosary, there is an opportunity to pray a decade of the Rosary each day. For the remaining weeks of this half term the Rosary will be led by children from Year 6 working in pairs or threes.

## Cancelled Zumba Session

Due to staff from another Caritas Christi In Urbe school coming to our school for a meeting on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October there will not be a Zumba and Fitness session that evening. Any money paid will be forwarded to next half term.

## Parents' and Carers' Evening letters

Yesterday, you should have received the reply slip informing you of your Parents' Evening appointments on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October. Please return your reply slip by Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October as appointments will be arranged that evening. Please contact school if you require another copy of the appointment letter. Due to the Parents' Evening there will not be a Zumba and Fitness After School session on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October.

## Harvest Festival



There will be a Harvest Mass on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 9.00 a.m. to which all are invited. We are asking for donations of packets and tins of foods to be made from next week. When you are shopping you may put an extra packet or tin in your trolley in readiness for this collection. The items donated will be forwarded to a food bank for distribution to those in need.

## School dinners

The menu choices for the school dinners are on the school website. Go to [www.stteresa.bham.sch.uk](http://www.stteresa.bham.sch.uk), click on 'Parents and Carers Information' then click on 'School Dinners' and scroll down the page. The meals are on a four week rota. Next week is Week 1 of the rota.

### **Photographs**

On Friday, 12th October, the school photographer will be in school. If you have a pre-school aged child and would like a photograph of him or her with your children who are at school please come to the school office from 8.30 a.m. If you do not wish your child or children to have photographs taken please inform the school in writing.

### **Coffee Morning**

Miss Shirley is inviting parents and carers to a Coffee Morning on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October from 9.00 a.m. Catherine Mohan from the Communication and Autism Team, Sarah Reid from Pupil and School Support, Victoria Carter-Harris from Hearing Support and Jenny Ranson from Father Hudson Society will be there. Please let Mrs Connell or Mrs Guest in the school office know if you can attend to give an idea of how many to cater for.

### **Top Table**

Children are chosen from a year group each week to eat at the Top Table for a range of positive behaviours or work. The children selected to eat at the Top Table this week are from Year 2. Well done to Amelia, Remy, Joshua, Laura, Eesah and Ava who joined Miss Gibbon for lunch today.

### **Attendance and Punctuality**

Well done to Year 2 who were the best attending class last week with a 99.7% attendance. Congratulations to the most punctual class last week which was Year 5 with no children late all week.

### **Digital/Video images Permission form**

Last Friday, your child should have received a Digital/Video Images Permission Form. Please read, complete the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you to those parents and carers who have returned their forms.

### **Welcome**

Welcome to Rahmin and Ibrahim who joined St. Teresa's School this week.

### **Dates for the Diary**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October - Year 3 visit to Singers Hill Synagogue

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October - Girls' football team to play in the Caritas Christi In Urbe 5-a-side tournament at St. Paul's Girls Secondary School.

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October - Year 5 visit to National Space Centre, Leicester.

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 3.30 p.m. - Meeting for parents and carers of Year 3 children preparing to receive the sacraments for Holy Communion and First Confession

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 9.00 a.m. - Harvest Mass at school. Please donate goods from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October onwards.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 4.00 p.m. - School football team to play St. Chad's School at Wood Lane fields.

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October - Coffee Morning hosted by Miss Shirley

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Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October - Year 2 visit to the Gurdwara.

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October - Year 6 visit to Birmingham Central Mosque

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Parents' Evenings.

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October - Year 4 visit to St. John's Church, Perry Barr

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October - End of the first half of the Autumn Term.

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October - Applications for secondary schools for current Year 6 children to be completed at

<https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions>.

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November - Start of the second half of the Autumn term.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November - Year 3 Holy Communion Retreat to St. Mary's Convent.

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